



**Care Matters Across the Faiths**  
**16th March 2011**  
**Venue: Brady Arts Centre**  
**192-196 Hanbury Street**  
**London E1 5HU**

**Multi Faith Conference on exploring the relationship  
between faith and social care.**

The conference is offered by the London Borough of Tower Hamlets and will be a rare opportunity to explore the relationship between faiths and social care. It will address the positive aspects of incorporating faith as a component of a child's identity as well as a observing the connections between children and the broader community. We also hope to address the tension between faith informed social work and secular social work.

**Agenda and Speakers**

**9.15 – 9.45      Registration**

**09.45 - 10.00    Opening remarks:**

**Father Brian** (Vicar of St Barnabas, Bethnal Green and  
Chaplain to ST Margaret's House Settlement)

**10.00 - 11.15    Plenary: Does faith have a role to play in the  
lives of children in care**

**Terry Philpot** (Writer & Journalist on social care)  
**Rosemary Keenan** (Westminster Catholic Children's Society)  
**Nadira Huda** (Working with Muslim Families Sub-Group, TH  
LSCB)  
**Sue Burridge** (Policy Adviser, Archbishop's Council)  
**David N Thomas** (Writer on social work)  
**Chair: Helen Lincoln** (Head of Social Care, LBTH)

**11: 15 – 11:30    Tea/ Coffee**

- 11:30 – 12:30 Practice Workshops**
- The work of LSCB Muslim Families Sub Group LBTH (**Foyzul Hoque, LBTH**)
  - 'Hierarchy of Needs' or a 'Needs of the Child' Making Decisions in Matching (**Hilary Bull, Service Manager, LBTH**)
  - Work of the St Francis Family Centre in Tower Hamlets (**Margaret Wilkinson**)
  - The role of settlements and Social Work in 19<sup>th</sup>C in East End of London
  - Work of Norwood Child Care
- 12.30 - 1.00 Feedback**
- 1.00 - 1.45 Lunch**
- 1.45 – 2.45 Workshops**
- Separation of state and church in social care or ethical pragmatism (**Brian Sharpe and Shahid Tilly, LBTH**)
  - Journeys – Children's Bereavement and Loss Service (**Augene Nanning, Methodist Church, Tower Hamlets**)
  - Work of Westminster Catholic Children's Society
  - Work of African Families Service in Tower Hamlets (**Margaret Agbabiaka, LBTH**)
  - Other workshops
- 2.45 - 3.00 Coffee / Tea**
- 3.00 - 3.15 Feedback from workshops**
- 3.15 - 4.25 Panel: Question Time**
- Karen Goodman** Head of Social Care, Norwood Child Care  
**Terry Philpot** Writer & Journalist on social care  
**Sue Burridge** Policy Adviser, Archbishop's Council  
**Ann Roach** Service Manager, CPRS, LBTH
- 4.25 – 4.30 Closing remarks**

Attendance is free.

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